

The Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church **ANNOUNCER**

Volume 58

SEPTEMBER 2021

Issue 677

Address

316 W. Main Street
Sanford, NC 27332
919-776-1541
919-776-6813 (Fax)
www.jhbc.org

Senior Pastor

Dr. Calvin Sayles
calvin.sayles@jhbc.org

Associate Pastor

Rev. Scott Davis
Music Ministry
scott.davis@jhbc.org

Associate Pastor

Rev. Nick Smetak
Youth, Children
& Families
nick.smetak@jhbc.org

Administrative Assistant

Erica McLeod
erica.mcleod@jhbc.org

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Gilbert W. McDowell

Pianist

Joan Luellen
joanluellen@windstream.net

Nursery Staff

Ms. Claire Cummings
Ms. Evelyn Martinez

From the Desk of Our Senior Pastor

PS 19:1 The heavens are telling of the glory of God; and their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.

A few weeks ago Sandy and I were in Colorado to visit my mom and enjoy the beauty of the land. We traveled up Pikes Peak, one of my favorite places in the world, on a new cog railway. As we looked out our open windows I was reminded, transported back, to a moment many years ago when I was barely a teenager.

Back then, my best friend and I decided we would hike along the lower mountains at the base of Pikes Peak. We peddled our bikes to the base, covered them with branches to hide them and then proceeded to climb. At first everything was great! We hiked, enjoyed the beauty of a fall day and felt like great explorers. But after a while we realized that our exploring skills were lacking and we discovered we were very lost. An argument ensued about which direction we should go with both of us pointing in opposite directions. Ultimately, angry with each other, we huffed off in different directions (always a bad idea!)

Although I exuded confidence with my friend about which way was the right way, it only took a few minutes to realize I had no idea. Totally lost I kept walking hoping I would see something I recognized or gave an indication which way to go. After what seemed like a long time I thought I could hear the sound of water. Eureka! I'll find the river, walk down stream along its banks, and surely, surely, that will get me back close to the starting point. I walked and listened and walked and listened and the sound of the water got progressively louder. Until finally...

...I walked over a ridge and discovered that the water wasn't a river at all. Over the ridge I discovered a valley of shimmering golden aspen trees. As the wind blew through the valley, a billion aspen leaves rustled together sounding like a rushing river or a mighty waterfall. It was like nothing I had ever seen before.

When I was a kid, I wasn't particular spiritual. Even so, I remember very distinctly what I thought at that moment. I thought, strange as it might sound, *'I either need to run from here, or bow down, because God is in this place.'* I was lost, in more ways than one, but God was there to meet me.

Many years later I came across Psalm 19:1 *'The heavens are telling of the glory of God; and their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.'* That's what happened in that valley so many years ago...God speaking through his amazing, miraculous creation. Those kinds of moments have continued over the years; in the desert and at the beach. But for me, nothing compares to the memory of that golden valley of shimmering light.

As we transition from summer to fall, and all the changes that a season can bring, I hope that we can stop, appreciate, and worship as the creation tells the glory of God. The choices are still the same; keep running...or bow down. But coming from someone who ran too long, I promise, bowing down is so much better!

May God bless you and yours and JHBC!
Pastor Cal

OUR FAMILY CORNER



Summer has ended, school is back in session, and I'm sure we are all trying to get back into our routines and rhythms. Some may be super excited about this school year; others may be dreading it. Maybe your child/student is in a new stage this year, and your family is experiencing all the emotions that come with that.

No matter your feelings, or what stage you may be in during this time, I want to encourage each and every one of our church members to pray daily for our kids, students, teachers, administrators, and our schools. Let us be an army of believers on our knees for our community and our kids.

Father, as our children head back to school I pray that You would guide them. I ask that you protect our children's hearts and minds. Help them to focus on You and to remember You in their interactions with others. I also pray that You would help them to find the right friends and influences. We ask that You would fill their hearts with Your love. Please help them to remember Your love, Your standards and Your care for them. Please guide their decisions this school year, and help guide them to embrace the academic challenges ahead.

For all of those in new stages, whether it is moving between elementary, middle or high school, we pray that you would give all anxious hearts and minds a peace that could only come from You. And for those moving on to college, may they keep their eyes on You, may they find a strong faith community to be part of, and may this be a time of great growth. We pray that our students of all ages would find strength and courage in You to be lights in their schools and campuses.

We also pray for all of the teachers, administrators, the school board, and all of the people involved with the school system. We pray that You would guide them, that You would protect them, and may JHBC be a light and a hope to our schools this year. When they are tired and worn this year, may You give them strength to continue.

*In the name of Jesus I pray,
Amen.*

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
Pastor Nick

*Don't forget AWANA starts
on September 8th!

I suppose many of you are like me. Over the past several weeks, after everything else is done for the day, you settle down for a little me-time in front of the TV. But now, it's not, "Where can I find one of the NCIS shows?" or "Is it American Ninja Warrior night?". It's, "Which of the three channels carrying the Olympics has something I'm interested in?" So, it's channel 3, 30, or 38. Synchronized swimming? Maybe if it's the U.S., but only if it's the U.S. Tae Kwando? Nope. Something I think they're calling 'hand ball'. It looks like water polo except without the water. Granted, water polo is a rough game! Have you ever seen what goes on under the water?! Crazy! Maybe a few minutes. But, usually it's a 'yes' if it's track and field, swimming, wrestling, or gymnastics.

Of course, I'm always pulling for U.S. athletes, and on occasion, there are others that have a unique life-story, or just make you feel like saying, "I think they look like a nice person, someone I would enjoy meeting." Did you cheer pretty much anytime Caleb Dressel swam? I know I did. It's nice to get to see people the moment they accomplish something they've worked nearly their entire life for. To hear people thank their families, coaches, and in particular give thanks to God for giving them this unique opportunity, I really appreciate that. You have to think, "If their faith is important enough for them to remember to thank God at the moment the spotlight is shining brighter than it has ever shined on them before, then it must be really important to them." Thank you, God, for giving them that stage to make You look great.

I wonder, what does God think of the Olympics? Does he cheer for his children? I suppose it's a unique thing to already know who's going to win, what they're going to say, and what the impact of all this will be on every athlete who competes. I suppose it would be like hearing the score of the football game, then watching a rerun of it the next day. How excited are you to know, "Yep, the Chiefs are going to pull it out again in the 4th quarter."? Even still, I believe God is tracking with each of us, every day, every moment of every day, cheering us on. He sees that opportunity approaching. He knows His Spirit within us is prompting us, saying, "Go for it. This is what I've been preparing you for. Don't worry about failing, just give it your all."

If you saw this one thing, I know you will remember it. If you didn't, I don't think I can accurately describe it to you to really give you a picture of what happened, but I will try. There was this swimming coach from Australia, I think. He had a female swimmer swimming against one of the United States' best swimmers. Our swimmer was in the lead as the race was winding down. But in the final moments, his swimmer began to catch up. He appeared to be way up in the top rows of the swimming arena, and to say he was getting excited would be an understatement. He was yelling, jumping around, cheering her on. The swimmer continued her dash to the end, just edging out the American swimmer in the final few yards. Oh my gosh, he came unglued. He could not be contained. I bet his mother was embarrassed!

Do think God has such enthusiasm for us as we approach the critical moments of our lives? God's word tells us that He sings over us (Zeph. 3:17), and that the angels rejoice when one soul is restored (Luke 15:10). It's clear that what happens on this earth is of great importance. Even the Lord's Prayer includes, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Clearly, the growth and establishment of God's kingdom here on earth is His plan. And we're a part of that. In fact, we are His A-#1 plan for that.

I don't know exactly what it looks like, but I believe God is constantly urging us on, cheering for us, quietly, maybe loudly, that we would be all that He has created us to be and do. And I believe that at the very least, He smiles when He sees His children accomplishing the things He has set before us, and we remember to say, "Thank you, God. This is all for you."

DEACON'S CORNER

Submitted by Stephen Graham

The Deacons met on August 2nd at 6 pm with a dinner provided by Carolyn Marsh. Big thanks for Carolyn for the excellent meal. Most of the newly elected deacons attended. Tommie Angel provided the devotion on Perseverance. She read from Hebrews 3: 1-6. God is the builder of everything in our lives. He uses every situation both good and bad to build trust in Him through perseverance. Especially in times like now we turn to Him for strength and guidance. She concluded with 1 Peter 1:6-9.

Pastor Cal went over his report which lead into reviewing the current COVID situation. Due to the unfortunate increase we request and recommend that everyone wear a mask as shared during the OneCall. We pray that this is temporary and will review the decision on a weekly basis.

We continued with reviewing improvements to the east property. Kenny Lamm gave an update on the equipment that will be used to improve the livestream video. Congregational feedback was shared and discussed. And the end, new officers were elected. Congratulations to Ron Rouse (Chairman), Mike Wilkins (Vice Chairman), and Ramona Bowling (Secretary) on your new roles.

Continue to pray for our church leaders as they serve His church.
God Bless and Blue Skies

From JHBC Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee served dinner for the Doug Johnson family in McDowell Hall July 22nd. A special thanks is extended to team leaders Group 2 - Shirley Holt and Group 3 - Brenda Wicker. Group 2 - Scott & Ann Davis, Alice Gilchrist, Ann Laton, Pat Brown, Shirley Holt, Denise Bost, Mary Upchurch, Cindy Jones, Maxine Matthews. Group 3 - Katie Rice, Brenda Wicker, Ramona Bowling, Catherine Mitchell, Karen Lamm, Lorena Batchelor, Rachel Brown, Juanita Neal. Thank you Mary Sue Patterson. Ice and paper products were supplied to the family at the home.

*Sandy Brown and Jean Kelly
Co-Chair Bereavement Committee*

=====

The Bereavement Committee carried lunch to the family home of Richard Sistrunk, Sr. Tuesday, August 3rd. A special thanks to team leader Sharon Brooks. Group 6 - Alicia Holly, Sonja Lawrence, Jean Kelly, Carolyn Marsh, Heather Meisel, Elaine Tyner, Sandy Brown, Tammy Whitney, Mary Hawley Oates, Lorena Batchelor, Sharon Brooks. Ice and paper products were supplied to the family. Folding chairs used from church was returned.

*Jean Kelly and Sandy Brown-
Co-Chair Bereavement Committee.*

MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF DOUG JOHNSON

To the Benevolence Fund

- >By Anonymous Donor
- > By James & Jean Kelly
- >By Tony & Agnes Kelly
- >By Sam Wornom

To the Buildings & Grounds Fund

- >By Dallas Harper

To the Facilities Fund

- >By Andy & Kathy Key

To the General Fund

- >By Ramona Bowling
- >By Curt & Sandy Brown
- > By Karen Dixon
- >By Glenn & Kathy Edwards
- >By Paula Winstead

To the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

- >By Anonymous Donor

To the Music & Education Fund

- >By Gary & Gladys Kephart

To the Property Debt Reduction Fund

- >Maxine & Gilbert Matthews

IN MEMORY OF WILLARD GARREN

To The Benevolence Fund

- >By Sam Wornom

IN MEMORY OF JAMES TOLLIVER

To the Tolliver Scholarship

- >By Anonymous Donor

IN MEMORY OF GERRY ELLIS STYASON

To the N.C. Baptist Children's Home

- >By Anonymous Donor

IN MEMORY OF RICHARD SISTRUNK, SR.

To the Benevolence Fund

- > By Tony & Agnes Kelly
- >By the Joyful Generations Sunday School Class

To the Property Debt Reduction Fund

- >Maxine & Gilbert Matthews

To the General Fund

- >By Curt & Sandy Brown

To the Higher Heights Fund

- >By Anonymous Donor

To the Library Fund at JHBC

- >By James, Melba, & Jennifer Kelly

To the Music & Education Fund

- >By Sam Wornom

IN HONOR OF RAMONA BOWLING

To Debt Reduction

- >By Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF RON ROUSE

To the Buildings & Grounds Fund

- >By Anonymous Donor

IN HONOR OF AARON SMITHI

To Operation Mobilization

- >By Anonymous Donor

New Classes:



Sunday Morning Adult Study

The Olivet Discourse

Randy Marsh, our Discipleship Director, will offer a special study on The Olivet Discourse the 19th of September-3rd of October.

This will be taught during the Sunday School hour in McDowell Hall.



WHEN

Wednesdays beginning September 8th, 2021

DINNER

Served at 5:40 PM

OPENING CEREMONY

6:00 PM

PICK UP

7:25 PM

Masks and running shoes are required.



A Beth Moore Ladies Bible Study **Now That Faith Has Come:** **Study of Galatians**

WHEN

Every Tuesday

DATE

September 14 - November 2, 2021

TIME

10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

WHERE

JHBC Conference Room

Books maybe purchased at the Carpenter's Shop: The Christian Resource Center in Tramway. You can also visit bethmoore.org to order the workbook and podcast.

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Ms. Tolliver,

Thank you again for offering scholarships via JHBC. Thank you for supporting me, loving me, and for being a role model for me my whole life. And guess what? I love you.

-Rea ♥

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for celebrating my graduation from Southern Lee High School with me. I thank you for your prayers and words of encouragement. I am blessed to be a part of a church family who cares about my future. I hope you will continue to pray for me as I continue my education at Sandhills Community College.

Thank You,
Cameron Bond

Dear Ms. Catherine Matthews,

Thank you so much for offering & giving me a scholarship via JHBC. And thank you for supporting my collegiate career. I will put it to great use.

-Rea ♥

Dear Scott and Ann,

Thank you for the money you gave me for graduation. Your gift is very much appreciated!

Sincerely,
Ashlyn

Dear Stewart & Elaine,

Thank you so much for the money you gave me for graduation! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,
Ashlyn

Dear Catherine,

I am extremely honored to be one of the recipients of your scholarship! Your generosity is going to help me reach my goals.

Sincerely,
Ashlyn

Dear Daphne,

I am honored to be one of the recipients of your scholarship! I also wanted to thank you for the money you gave me. Both of these generous gifts will help me achieve my goals!

Sincerely,
Ashlyn

JHBC Church Family,

Thank you for being a part of my life journey. From the time I was born you taught me about the love of Christ. In college, your prayers helped me reach my academic goals. I cannot say enough about the JHBC Card Ministry! Those cards really lifted my spirits more than you know. I am so thankful for my church family.

Thank you again,
Owen Bond

Dear Sam and Sandra,

I am honored to be one of the recipients of your scholarship! Your generosity will help me achieve my goals.

Sincerely,
Ashlyn

Dear Church Family,

In the Bible we read, Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted. God kept His promise through you, our JHBC Family. You comforted us by sending beautiful flowers, overwhelming attendance at the memorial service, cards that reminded us of heaven, and the heartfelt memories that you shared with each of us. The Bereavement Committee covered our family with care by meeting all our needs at home for an entire week. After the service there was an abundant plethora of food given by two bereavement sub committees. As we watched the team clean up after working tirelessly all day, we thanked God for each of you. Truly we are blessed to be in the JHBC Family of God! We are grateful for you. God is good all the time! All the time God is good!

May God continue to bless and keep you.
The Doug Johnson Family

THANK YOU!



The Sandy Creek Baptist Association, the Powell River Baptist Association and the 2021 Mission Team would like to thank you for your support by purchasing shoes, socks, your monetary donations but most importantly, your prayers. You have helped provide a vital need for the school children of the Lee County, Jonesville, Virginia area. Your support helped purchase over 450 pairs of shoes from our association to travel to Virginia representing 6 churches. This is the 8th year that we have been involved in this mission and because of your support we always have shoes to fit each child. What a blessing you are to these children and to our mission team. THANK YOU!

**2021 Sandy
Creek Baptist
Association
Mission Team**

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church

Alice Gilchrist

Moncure Baptist Church

Susan & Mike Douglas

Fellowship Baptist Church

Nancy Evans

Mary & Ken Mabry

Wayne Mabry

Nicole Mabry

Rev. Jason Golden

Juniper Springs Baptist Church

Phyllis Bogan

Fall Creek Baptist Church

Joyce & Garland McNeill

Goldston Baptist Church

Heather Renegar

Leigh Poe



September 1 - Scott Griffin, Van Holly

September 2 - Kaleb Griffin

*September 5 - Bill Davis, Jim Elsey,
Rev. Robert Tilley*

September 6 - Sam Wornom

September 11 - Marlen Whitney

September 13- Tony Rebello

September 14- John Baxley, Jr.

September 15- Belinda McGugan

*September 18- Tommie Angel,
Jamie Bowen*

*September 19- Gene Griffin, Marie Burge,
Lori Rouse*

September 22- Emma Graham

*September 23- David Bond,
Patrick Snipes, Lauren Brown*

*September 25- James Kelly,
Richard Brown, Hudson Walters*

September 26- Rebecca Meisel

September 27- Stephen Graham

*September 28- Robin Newman,
Bennett Walters*

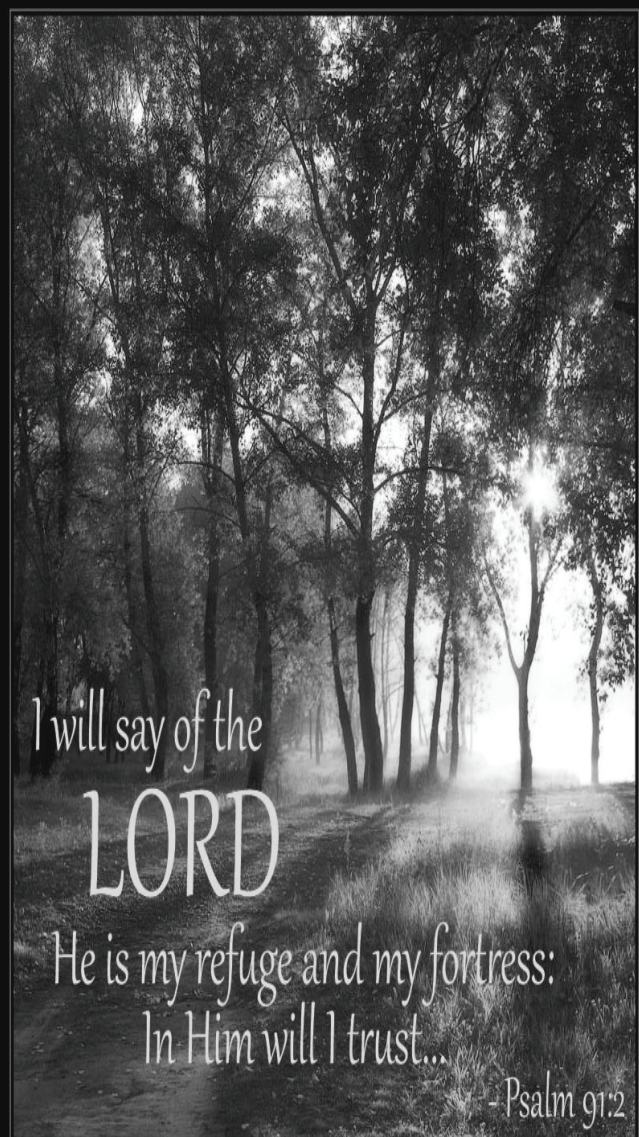
September 29- Debbie Dail

*September 30- Norma Randolph, Lucas
Walters*

THANK YOU NOTE

What a blessing to have so many praying and caring friends! This has been a very difficult time and through it all, we have been sustained by your prayers, concerns, calls, cards and food. Your prayers have not gone unanswered and we have felt them. *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known by God."* *Philippians 4:6*

Blessings & Love,
Wanda and Andy Howard



Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Balance Sheet
June 2021

Accounts

Assets

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	\$147,707.04
General Fund	\$100.00
Building Fund	\$86,065.87
Designated/Restricted Funds	\$51,578.11
Facilities Funds	\$285,551.02
Total Checking/Savings	\$1,122,501.23
Sales Taxes to be Reimbursed	\$16,543.32
Investments/Endowments	\$820,406.89
Total Current Assets	\$4,213,551.57

Current credit card receipts not paid/reconciled

Fixed Assets	\$3,098,522.97
Contra Asset Account	(\$7,472.63)
Total Assets	\$4,213,551.57
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	(\$12,647.28)
Facilities	\$2,305.00
Mortgage Payable	\$169,922.67
2500000 - BB&T Loan Land prev Credit Line	\$169,922.67
Total Mortgage Payable	\$159,512.72
Total Current Liabilities	\$159,512.72

Total facilities security deposits

Equity

Unrestricted	
3000000 - Unrestricted Net Assets (Fund Principal Closing Account)	\$3,887,722.14
Unrestricted this year (Revenues minus Expenses)	\$139,383.18
Total Unrestricted	\$27,653.47
Temporarily Restricted (sum of all Designated/Special accounts)	\$4,027,105.32
Total Equity	\$4,027,105.32

Used by ACS as Fund Principal closing account
Total revenue minus expenses for the year

Total Liabilities & Equity

Income	June 2021	\$38,286.19
Expenses	June 2021	\$40,754.51
Net		(\$2,468.32)

General Fund	2020-2021	Total GF Income	\$452,211.14
	2020-2021	Total Expenses	\$383,465.41
	2020-2021	Net 2020-2021	\$68,745.73

JHBC-September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:00 PM Youth Gathering (Youth Building) 6:15 PM Prayer Meeting (Online & Bullock-Matthews)	2 2:00 PM Pearl Johnson	3	4
5 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 6:00 PM JHBC Business Meeting (Bullock-Matthews)	6 Labor Day Office Closed	7 6:30 PM BMCT	8 5:00 PM WMU Council Meeting (Old Fellowship Hall) 6:00 PM Youth Gathering (Youth Building) 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:15 PM Prayer Meeting (Online & Bullock-Matthews)	9	10	11
12 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service	13 12:00 PM Marjorie Spence / Brown Bag 6:30 PM Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room) 6:30 PM Children's Ministry Team (McDowell Hall)	14 1:00 PM Virginia Oliver 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM WISH (Library)	15 9:00 AM Announcer Articles due to Erica 6:00 PM Youth Gathering (Youth Building) 6:15 PM Prayer Meeting (Online & Bullock-Matthews)	16	17	18
19 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service	20	21 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study (Conference Room) 6:30 PM Children's Ministry (McDowell Hall)	22 11:00 AM Higher Heights 6:00 PM Youth Gathering (Youth Building) 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 6:15 PM Prayer Meeting (Online & Bullock-Matthews)	23	24	25
26 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service	27 6:30 PM Baptist Men	28 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study (Conference Room) 6:00 PM Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)	29 6:00 PM Youth Gathering (Youth Building) 6:15 PM Prayer Meeting (Online & Bullock-Matthews)	30		

The Announcer
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
316 W. Main Street
Sanford, NC 27332

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Sanford, NC 27331
Permit #144

RETURN SERVICE REQUEST

*Hello
September*

SEPTEMBER GREETERS

Donna Rouse
Joy Scott

LOCKING & SECURITY

September 5– Phil Lawrence
September 12– Michael Wilkins
September 19– Roger Vance
September 26– Wanda Howard



Sunday, July 11, 2021

9:45 AM Sunday School - 112
11 AM Worship Service - 169

Sunday, July 18, 2021

9:45 AM Sunday School - 86
11 AM Worship Service - 134

Sunday, July 25, 2021

9:45 AM Sunday School - 90
11 AM Worship Service - 165

Sunday, August 1, 2021

9:45 AM Sunday School - 90
11 AM Worship Service - 131